

TRAIN PLUNGE DOWN A BANK KILLS ONE MAN

Another May Die and Fifteen or More Were Seriously Injured Near Hardwick this Forenoon on the St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain R. R.

ALL CARS WENT DOWN BUT ENGINE REMAINED

The Dead is W. S. Bailey, One of the Prominent Citizens of Hardwick, While C. H. Ranney of St. Johnsbury Was Badly Hurt, Perhaps Fatally.

Hardwick, April 10.—Plunging down a forty-foot embankment, a passenger train on the St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain railroad, crushed the life of one man and caused injury to every passenger, about fifteen in number, and all the train crew with the exception of the engineer and fireman, this forenoon at 8:30.

The Dead. W. S. Bailey of East Hardwick, Perhaps Fatally Injured. C. H. Ranney of St. Johnsbury. The train was westbound and was traveling at a fair rate of speed when without warning all the cars jumped the rails and toppled down the embankment to the bottom forty feet below. The engine did not leave the iron. Consequently the engineer and the fireman were the only ones on the ill-fated train who did not sustain injuries. The cause of the accident has not yet been explained.

A wrecking train, sent from St. Johnsbury, arrived at the scene of the wreck at noon. The injured were taken at once to homes in Hardwick, where they are now being cared for. It is not yet possible to state the number of those who were injured, but no passenger escaped injury of some sort. The baggage-master, O. S. Cogswell, the express messenger, E. A. Campbell, and the mail clerk, Mr. Carlton, all of St. Johnsbury, were carried down with their cars and are more or less injured.

The extent of the injuries of Mr. Ranney of St. Johnsbury, who was badly hurt, has not yet been determined. W. S. Bailey of East Hardwick, who was killed outright, was one of the prominent citizens of the town and well known. He was one of the town listers. He leaves a family.

The engineer in charge of the locomotive was Charles Johnson, and his fireman was Frank Minter. They are both from St. Johnsbury. Neither was hurt, as the engine did not take the plunge.

The eastbound passenger train on the St. J. & L. C. road was held at this place several hours because of the wreck.

The regular passenger car, containing the greater number of the wrecked, turned a complete somersault in going down the bank, while the combination smoker, mail and express car kept right side up during the descent.

Ran Into Herd of Cattle. Plainfield, April 10.—The passenger train over the Montpelier & Wells River railroad was delayed about fifteen minutes this noon, on account of running into a herd of cattle at this place.

VERMONT BOY HELD ON ABDUCTION CHARGE

Edward Connors in New York is Arrested in Connection With Case of Edna Redding.

New York, April 10.—Edward Connors, 28 years old, of North Parvill, Vt., was held in \$2,000 bail by magistrate Sweetzer in the Yorkville police court, Manhattan yesterday on suspicion of being concerned in the abduction of Edna Redding, 17 years old, daughter of a policeman of Yarmouth, N. S. The examination of the prisoner was set for Thursday morning.

According to the story told in court this morning by the girl, she left her home in Yarmouth, N. S., two weeks ago to visit her two sisters, Alice and Harriet, at Chicopee, Mass. Arriving there she secured a position as waitress at a restaurant at 190 Exchange street.

While there she said she made the acquaintance of Connors, who was a weaver. The girl being anxious to come to this city, and Connors, having a little money saved, they left together and arrived here last Friday. Yesterday she strayed away from Connors and got lost.

Yesterday morning when patrolman Ahearn took her to court they ran into Connors, and seeing the girl knew him Ahearn grew suspicious and decided to take Connors along to the court as well. On the way, he said, Connors tried to escape.

Arriving at the court, a charge of attempted abduction was made against Connors, who was held in \$1,000 bail until the police can communicate with the parents of the girl.

JEROME BEGAN AT 11.40 TODAY

Expects to Conclude Summing Up This Afternoon

IN THE TRIAL OF H. K. THAW

Delmas Wound Up His Appeal Late Yesterday When Court Took Adjournment Until This Morning—Great Case Drawing to an End.

New York, April 10.—District Attorney Jerome began summing up for the prosecution in the Thaw case at 11:40 o'clock this forenoon, court having opened considerably later than usual. Jerome was absent from the court yesterday, spending the day in preparation for his final struggle, and leaving the case temporarily in the hands of his assistant, Mr. Garvin. Mr. Jerome expected to conclude late this afternoon.

In closing his plea for Thaw's life late yesterday afternoon, Mr. Delmas touched upon the "unwritten law," saying: "We will suppose that the dearest being on earth to you—may be the beautiful daughter who graces your home like a sunbeam, or the lovely wife walking down the valley of life at your side—is in imminent danger of death."

"The physician at the bedside tells you there is an equal chance between life and death."

"Then we will suppose that an urn is set down before you containing ninety-nine white balls and one black ball. You are told to place your hand within the urn and that if you draw the black ball, your beloved one will surely die, but if you draw one of the white balls she will die. Would you draw? No, gentlemen, you would say the chances as nature has them are equal, it is not for me to interfere or take such a perilous chance. Do not take the chance of doing wrong in the name of justice."

"I ask you in the name of the law which I invoke; I ask you in the name of humanity; I ask you in the name of religion; to resolve whatever doubt you may have in favor of this defendant."

The district attorney will make light of the expert because they have not defined the species of insanity from which they say Harry Thaw was suffering. It is a species of insanity which has been recognized in every state of the union—from Canada to Mexico, from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

"As the expert, because they have not defined the species of insanity from which they say Harry Thaw was suffering. It is a species of insanity which has been recognized in every state of the union—from Canada to Mexico, from the Atlantic to the Pacific."

ONE APPLICATION TO SELL LIQUOR

Received in Middlesex, and No license People Will Now Apply for Injunction on Commissioners.

Montpelier, April 10.—One solitary application for license to sell liquor in the town of Middlesex for the coming year was received before closing time this noon. The applicant is Frank Whitney, and he proposes to put up a second class store near his residence in the village of Wrightsville, which is four miles from this city.

Now that an application has been made it is probable that the forces in Middlesex will claim the liquor was found in the election, whereby the town voted "Yes" by one majority, will seek a temporary injunction to prevent the further action of the license commissioners in the matter.

FOUND THREE PINTS BUT WOMEN LEFT

House at 27 Granite Street Raided by the Police Last Night, With Successful Results.

A raid was made last evening at the house at number 27 Granite street occupied by Mrs. Peter Blouin, on a warrant issued by grand juror J. H. O'Brien, charging her with harboring a criminal. The search and her efforts were rewarded by the finding of three pints of whiskey.

Mrs. Blouin was present when the officers went into the house but after they had found the whiskey she had disappeared and no trace could be found of her.

Saw "Belles of Darktown."

About three hundred people attended the Woodmen's fair last evening and enjoyed the minstrel show given by the "Belles of Darktown." The members of the circle were as follows: Interlocutor, Miss Helen Johnston; ends, Miss Margaret Johnston, Miss Margaret Fraser, Miss Margaret Beattie, Miss Christine Rae and Miss Ina Patterson. Solos were given by several members of the company and a grand song in costume by Miss Rachel Young.

TWENTY-FIVE KILLED IN FIRE TODAY

Central Market at Lisbon, Portugal, Today, Scores, Including Women and Children, Were Hurt.

Lisbon, Portugal, April 10.—Twenty-five people were killed and scores were hurt by a fire today in the central market. Many of the victims were women and children.

MILTON ASKS FOR RELIEF.

Railroad Commission Hears Plea For Train Service.

Milton, April 10.—The state board of railroad commissioners met a large number of business men and citizens here yesterday afternoon at a meeting held at Skeel's hotel. A petition had been sent to the Central Vermont Railroad Co., asking that passenger train No. 2, going south and due here at 11:18 a. m., be flagged for passengers from this station. The only other south bound train leaves here at 7:32 a. m. and 4:29 p. m. It is a great inconvenience for people from out of the village to have to take the early train but, as there is only a short time for business in Burlington when they wait until 4:29 in the afternoon, they have to go down early and pass the whole day in Burlington. The railroad company would not grant the petition, so this meeting was called to see if better accommodations could not be procured. The railroad company was represented by C. W. Winters and other officials of the road. Testimony was given by many of the citizens and by the proprietors of Camp Rich and Camp Martin on the lake shore showing that during the summer season particularly, it was a great inconvenience and hindrance to people to get out of town for the south only in the morning and at night.

GOVERNOR PROCTOR KEEPS ON THE JUMP

Had a Busy Session in Montpelier Yesterday—Lieutenant Governor Prouty Also at the Capital.

Montpelier, April 10.—Governor Fletcher D. Proctor put in a busy day at Montpelier yesterday. Arriving here at about ten o'clock in the morning, he attended the quarterly meeting of the directors of the National Life Insurance company, and was in conference during the noon hour with State Highway Commissioner Gates. In the afternoon he heard an application for pardon made by Frank E. Miles of Newport, for one Chase, who is serving a sentence for manslaughter in state prison, was in conference two hours with Adjutant General W. H. Gilmore at his office on matters pertaining to the First Vermont regiment, addressed the county meeting of road commissioners, the city court room, and left for his home at six o'clock in the evening.

Lieutenant Governor C. H. Prouty was also here yesterday in consultation with the governor in regard to the time the silver service purchased by the state should be presented to the battleship monument. The date was not definitely fixed.

SHOWS HEALTHY GROWTH. The Spirit for Better Roads in Vermont, Says Gov. Proctor.

Montpelier, April 10.—Just before adjournment of the Washington county good roads meeting last evening, Governor F. D. Proctor looked in upon the meeting for a few minutes. In response to a call from Commissioner Gates, Governor Proctor spoke briefly but forcibly of the benefits to be derived from meetings of the road commissioners, especially as largely attended as was the one yesterday. He said it was an indication of a healthy growth in sentiment toward improved highways in Vermont. The history of legislation in Vermont in regard to highways for the past fifteen years is evidence that the people in the state are back of the demand for good roads. Governor Proctor said he believed the appropriation of an additional \$50,000 by the last legislature was an endorsement of the people of Vermont in the manner in which state money is being expended on the highways.

In closing the governor referred briefly to the office of county highway supervisor, a new office that is liable in some instances to create friction, unless the road commissioners of the several towns and the selectmen work in harmony with the supervisor. If they do that, they will find him a help and not a hindrance.

Governor Proctor's remarks were applauded warmly.

WILLIAM MATHER DEAD.

Brattleboro Man Had Reached the Age of 74 Years.

Brattleboro, April 10.—William Mather, aged 74, died suddenly yesterday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Austin E. Miller, on Main street. He had a chill Monday night, and soon became unconscious. He was born in Marlboro on November 3, 1832, and was a son of Daniel and Almira (Mather) Mather. He married Miss Damaris Kelsey May, 1856. They moved to West Brattleboro 37 years ago, and to this village 13 years later. Mr. Mather carried on a trucking business and later took up carpentering. He leaves three daughters, Miss Miller and Mrs. W. G. Horton of Brattleboro, and Mrs. J. Pullen of North Ferrisburgh, Vt.

STOVE BREAKING RECORDS.

Hugh Shipment of Maple Sugar—Big Day's Butter Making.

Stowe, April 10.—Miles & McMahon shipped the largest consignment of maple sugar yesterday that has ever been sent from this town. It consisted of 1,000 pounds of the finest grade in tin pails, 200 pounds in casks and 100 gallons of syrup.

A. E. Douglass of C. F. Eddy's creamery also claims to have broken the record for Vermont butter makers yesterday. Out of three churnings he made 1,475 pounds of butter, 500 pounds in prints and the remainder in tubs and boxes, which is considered a record for a single day's work by one man.

SNOWBALLS FOR MINSTRELS.

Kick at Tormentors by Cornetist Results in Serious Injury to Boy.

Burlington, April 10.—While the band of H. Henry's minstrels were giving a street parade yesterday, a crowd of boys followed, snowballing the musicians, who protested. As the boys continued, a cornet player kicked at Arthur Plouf, rendering him unconscious for some time. He was taken to his home, but was in a serious condition last night. No arrest was made.

SPRING GETS BLANKETED

Foot of Snow Covered Ground on This April 10

SUGAR MAKERS ARE HAPPY

Heaviest Fall of Snow of the Season in Central Vermont—Railroads Have Their Troubles Over Again.

It doesn't often happen on April 10, or, in fact, considerably earlier, that the people of Vermont have to be dug out from beneath a snowbank a foot or more deep, but that was the situation today. In accordance with prediction, snow fell practically all day yesterday, and last night it did not fall, but dropped almost in a solid chunk. As a result, there was about a foot of snow on the average throughout the entire central part of the state. Reports from some places state that as much as eighteen inches fell, and none so low as nine inches in the estimate. On the hills the wind whisked the snow about into big piles, and nature will have to begin the thawing-out process all over again.

Some of the most beautiful winter scenes imaginable were presented to the early risers this morning, the trees, bushes, wires, etc., being crusted with the pure white coating. The camera artists were out in full force in this city, putting the views on their plates for future delight.

Long before that time the street superintendent, Fred Bruce, was out taking a different view of the situation. He decided not to be caught napping, and started at the dreary hour of three to get the city plows out, and by five o'clock the ten plows were on their way over the sidewalks of the city. Supper this time about nine inches of snow fell during the night, which on top of three inches during yesterday gave about an even foot measurement. The plows had been packed away for the summer, and by all accustomed order of events should have stayed there but for the slip of nature in giving us this visitation.

The transportation companies experienced all the troubles of the past winter, particularly the Central Vermont, which finally got the 3:35 a. m. mail into town at ten o'clock. The other companies didn't have so much trouble, or, at any rate, they didn't let the snow bother them so much.

The branch train of the Central came to this city from Montpelier in time to make the usual run to Williamstown and then to return to the Junction, but there was no mail.

Among sugar-makers there is no end of chuckling over the prospects, as they predict that the heavy fall of snow means a fine finish for the sugar season. The sap is sure to run well.

NO THOUGHT OF FIRE WHILE THEY DANCED

Montpelier Firemen Hold Their First Annual Concert and Dance, Which Was Very Enjoyable.

Montpelier, April 10.—The first annual concert and dance given last evening under the auspices of the Montpelier fire department was so much of an artistic and financial success that the fire laddies of the city are wondering why they have never held such events before. Although Montpelier has no paid fire department, the officers and members of this department are young men of good standing in the city, several of them being prominent in professional and business life, and the standards of the company are always high.

Armory hall, where the ball was held last evening, was profusely decorated with flags and bunting, a line of hose was strung around the entire gallery, and around a life-size portrait of Chief Wahlen, leaders, lanterns, helmets and axes were artistically grouped. From eight to nine o'clock Whittier's fall festival gave a concert and this was followed by dancing till midnight. The grand march was led by Chief John Wahlen, with second assistant E. B. Gilbert, second. One of the features of the dance programme was a contra dance, "The Fireman's Own," during which the lighted torches were extinguished and red lights were shown.

WILLIAMSTOWN.

The schools in town will begin April 15th.

The listers are busy these days getting in the lists.

Mr. Earle has been quite busy the past few days, keeping the sidewalks clean as there has been heavy fall of snow. The mail carriers are going on runners again.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

Wanted.—An apprentice at Mrs. Moorcroft's millinery parlors over Brown's drug store.

Mr. C. N. Pierson of Highland avenue, who has been visiting at the home of her parents in Plymouth, N. H., returned home today.

George Pierson of Plymouth, N. H., is visiting at the home of C. N. Pierson on Highland avenue. Mr. Pierson is janitor of the public school at Plymouth, where Miss Edith Barnes of this city is a teacher.

Mrs. L. H. Farnsworth returned to her home in this city last night from the Heaton hospital at Montpelier, where she has been several weeks recovering from a successful operation.

Con. Sullivan, who works as polisher at the Stearns company's shed got his right hand caught in the machinery this forenoon and every finger was badly lacerated, but no bones were broken. He was taken to the office of Dr. C. F. Camp who dressed the wounds.

PLAY OF HIGH ORDER.

Was "The Prince Chap," With Cyril Scott Starring, as Shown Last Night.

As fine an interpretation as has ever been seen on the local opera house stage, was witnessed last night in the presentation of Edward Peple's delightful little play, "The Prince Chap," with Cyril Scott starring. Other capable stars have been seen here, but none with so fortunate support as was accorded Mr. Scott. There was scarcely a weak part in the whole ten or a dozen participants, and surely the leading members were in no way deficient in ability.

It was Mr. Scott's first appearance in Barre, as it was of all the cast with the exception of Wallace Erskine, whose delineation of English parts is finished and clever. Mr. Erskine was given a cordial welcome by his admirers, as was Mr. Scott as soon as the audience got acquainted with him and saw his work. Next to these two were Charles B. Wells, as "Marcus Tullius," the butler, and Mary Keogh, as "Phebe," sometimes spelled "Febe," Puckers, the latter a typical English slavey. And if the adult parts were well taken, the children's parts certainly were also, by little Miss Helen Pullman as "Claudia," aged five years, and little Miss Edith Spence as "Claudia," aged eight. Their work was greatly admired, particularly that of the latter, who no doubt will be heard from on the stage later.

These children's part were important, as the play centered about them, little Claudia being left by her mother, an artist's model, on her deathbed to the generous-hearted, but poor, sculptor, "William Peyton" (Cyril Scott), who, as the slavey Phebe Puckers declared, became a mother in trousers. The training of this child under the guiding hand of the young artist furnished the main theme of the play, and the marriage of the two, after "The Prince Chap" (Cyril Scott) had been jilted by "Princess Alice," and after he had also refused to allow the old officer for the princess to be aroused following the death of the princess' husband.

It is to be hoped that Cyril Scott and an equally as good supporting company may be seen in Barre again.

WILL JOIN HANDS IN SCHOOL WORK

Barre Town and Williamstown Decide to Work Together to the End That Better Supervision May Be Secured.

Barre Town and Williamstown have decided to join hands in the supervision of schools, under the enabling act of the last legislature, and beginning next fall the school systems in the two towns will be under one head, the superintendent being yet to be chosen. There have been several applications for the place.

The directors of the two towns, J. B. Fitzpatrick, B. F. Davis and A. W. Allen of Barre Town, and Messrs. J. K. Pirie, Wilbur and Charles of Williamstown, met at Mr. Pirie's hall in Graniteville yesterday afternoon and came to the above decision unanimously. They organized by electing Mr. Fitzpatrick chairman and Mr. Pirie as secretary.

At the present time there are 24 schools in the town and 16 in Williamstown, but the enumeration will be changed next fall, as the Town expects to add two and Williamstown will probably take off one school, making a total of 41. By this means of joining forces, they expect to secure better results through constant supervision.

CAUGHT THE TRAIN.

But Charles E. Brownell Didn't Have Any Time to Spare.

Charles E. Brownell left yesterday afternoon for Montreal and thereby hangs a tale. It seems that Brownell, who has been employed in the city for a time and secured goods on credit of one of the local merchants to the amount of ten dollars and yesterday the traveling bag got to lazing in his head and he decided to leave for Canada without the formality of settling outstanding obligations. The merchant getting an inkling of the fact that Charles intended to fade away, thought otherwise and the result was a body writ in the hands of deputy sheriff H. J. Shroyer, charging the said Charles with being an absconding debtor under the law.

As train time approached the deputy went to the station to serve the writ but Brownell was not in sight, but was finally discovered inspecting the interior arrangement of the locomotive securely hidden as he appeared by thought, from all prying eyes, but Bert went him one better and watched from a nearby building until the departing car came from his hiding place and they met. A satisfactory settlement was reached just as the train pulled out with Brownell lazing to the rear window, he having caught the tail end by a narrow margin after a brisk sprint.

COMMITTEE NAMED.

Hospital Trustees Select Executive and Finance Committee.

The trustees of the Barre City Hospital association met last evening and selected an executive committee and also a committee on finance. These are: Executive, Dr. M. L. Chandler, Dr. J. E. McSweeney and F. E. Langley; finance, A. G. Fay, Dr. O. C. Stickney and John E. Smith.

The books for subscriptions with which to open the hospital were opened at this meeting and \$500 was subscribed by those in attendance at the meeting.

When the trustees adjourned it was to Friday evening at 8 o'clock, when officers will be elected. A full attendance of all the trustees is requested at this time.

"A DEPOSITOR" WRITES.

Asks Where the Burden of Increased Interest Falls.

Editor, Times: Still the great spurge of "4's" big and more of them, continues to our banks in the daily paper. I have wondered if anyone has had the audacity to ask them why they do not advertise the fatal 6 per cent now asked by them on loans. Another question. Where does the burden of this change fall? Isn't it always on the poor man who perhaps is trying to pay for a home, or possibly venturing in some business undertaking where the struggle is extremely hard?

A Depositor.

MUST HAVE MORE ROOM

Barre's School Population is Being Cramped

FOR ACCOMMODATIONS

School Commissioners Plan to Build an Addition to the Brook Street Building, Relieving the Pressure for the Timebeing.

The school commissioners of the city are trying to get around the demand for a new school building. By erecting a two-room addition to the Brook street building, they hope to be able to stave off the necessity for more accommodations, at least for a year. At their regular meeting last evening they received the revised plans for the addition to the Brook street building, having voted some time ago to follow this idea. The greatest need at the present time is in that vicinity and, in fact, all through the north end of the city.

The plans and bids for the proposed addition will be presented to the voters at a city meeting which will be held soon for ratification. The lot on which the present building rests is sufficiently large to permit of further building, and it is the plan to erect a two-story front on the Brook street side, allowing a school room on each floor. There are now four rooms in the building, and with nearly 200 scholars crowded into them. The two additional rooms will materially reduce the congestion. If this work is done, it will also accommodate scholars in the north end of the city who do not go to the Mathewson building on Elm street for upper grade work.

When this latter building, containing twelve rooms, was opened two years ago, it was thought that the city had provided enough accommodations to take care of the increase for five or six years. But now, after two years, the twelve rooms are completely filled, and the commissioners are forced to make other plans to house the children. Even with the addition to the Brook street building, it may be necessary to have double shifts in some of the first grades. Sooner or later, a new building will have to be erected in the north end of the city.

President Woodruff of the commissioners last evening named the committees for the year 1907-08 as follows:

Supplies, Alexander Gordon, first ward, Fuel, George Stuart, fifth ward, and L. E. Hutchinson, third ward.

Insurance, William Scott, fourth ward, and L. E. Collins, sixth ward.

Repairs and general oversight of buildings: Ayers and Church street buildings, L. E. Collins; State street and Camp street buildings, H. G. Woodruff; Mathewson building, Alexander Gordon; Summer street building, L. R. Hutchinson; Brook street and North Barre, William Scott; ward five building, George Stuart.

CONTRACT IS LET FOR BUSINESS BLOCK

W. E. Jackson Will Erect Building on Main Street on Plans Drawn by Architect Walker.

The contract for the erection of the business block to be put up at the corner of North Main and Pearl streets by W. E. Jackson of New York City, was last night let to W. E. Jackson of Montpelier, who also secured the contract for the Aldrich library building, a short time ago. There were four bidders, C. L. Bugbee and W. F. Bradford & Co. of Barre, Mr. Jackson and Spear Bros. of Burlington.

The plans as decided on by Mr. Gimbreg before he returned to New York call for a two-story and basement building. He had negotiations with local parties who were contemplating occupying a floor of the building, and if arrangements with them had been satisfactory, he would have erected a three-story building. The inducements which Mr. Gimbreg received were not sufficient to warrant adding another story, so he thought. The third floor of the proposed building would be admissible for lodge room purposes, or even for offices, with light on all four sides.

Architect Walker, who drew the plans, says that the building will be well constructed in every way, with solid masonry walls, heavy finish on the ground floor and hard pine on the second. The basement, which will be occupied for store purposes by Mr. Gimbreg along with the ground floor, will be thoroughly fitted up, and plans drawn so that plenty of light will be admitted. All the modern equipment will be additions, just as soon as the weather permits, the work on the foundation will be started.

TO LAY STAKES FOR LIBRARY.

Trustees Will Begin Tomorrow to Survey the Site.

The Aldrich library trustees will meet the contractor, surveyor and others engaged in the erection of the proposed library building at the corner of Washington and Elm streets tomorrow and stake out the location of the building. Mr. Jackson, the contractor, will begin on the work when the last fall of snow gets off the ground, and will then start the building to completion. This structure will cost in the neighborhood of \$40,000.

TICKETS FOR BRYAN'S LECTURE.

Will Go on Sale at the Opera House Box Office April 16.

Tickets for W. J. Bryan's lecture in Barre on April 23 will go on sale at the opera house box office next Tuesday evening, April 16, at 7 o'clock. The price of seats will be 35c, 50c and 75c, according to location.

Mrs. William Hurry is ill at her home on Washington street.